

FORM PTO-1390  
REV. 1-93US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEATTORNEYS DOCKET NUMBER  
P99,2301**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

**09/423454**INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
**PCT/DE98/01276**INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
**May 7, 1998**PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
**May 7, 1997**TITLE OF INVENTION **METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR ENCODING AND DECODING A DIGITIZED IMAGE  
WITH PICTURE ELEMENTS (AS AMENDED)**APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US **ROBERT KUTKA and STATHIS PANIS**

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay.
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of International Application (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☒ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) (**attached at back of English translation of application**).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98; (PTO 1449, Prior Art, Search Report).
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.  
(SEE ATTACHED ENVELOPE)
13. ☒ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:
  - a. ☒ Submission of Drawings
  - b. ☒ Request for Approval of Drawing Changes
  - c. ☐ Letter Under Rule Under 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c)
  - d. ☒ EXPRESS MAIL #EL412789839US

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17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):**

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) ... \$760.00

No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but  
international search fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$450.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) nor international  
search fee (37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$1,250.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all  
claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$98.00**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

CALCULATIONS

PTO USE ONLY

\$ 840.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months from  
the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).

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Claims

Number Filed

Number  
Extra

Rate

Total Claims

26 - 20 =

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X \$ 18.00

\$ 108.00

Independent Claims

4 - 3 =

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X \$ 78.00

\$ 78.00

Multiple Dependent Claims

\$270.00 +

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\$1,026.00

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be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)

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**TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =**

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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h). The assignment must be  
accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property

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ENVELOPE****TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**

\$1,026.00

Amount to be  
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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1,026.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A  
duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any  
overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2290. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must  
be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.**SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:**Hill, Steadman & Simpson  
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UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY-CHAPTER II

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**SUBMISSION OF DRAWINGS**

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10 INVENTION: "METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR ENCODING AND  
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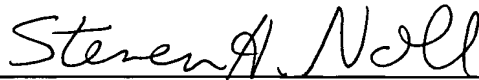
Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

15 S I R:

Applicants herewith submit two sheets (FIGs 1A-1F, 2 and 3) of drawings as  
originally submitted for the above-referenced PCT application.

Submitted by,

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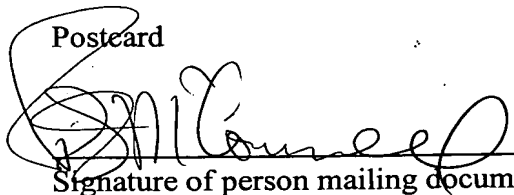
Applicants: Robert Kutka and Stathis Panis

Enclosed are the following documents:

PTO Form 1390 in duplicate  
PCT Request Form  
Translation of International Application into English  
Translation of Substitute Pages  
Preliminary Amendment "A"  
Submission of Drawings (2 sheets - Figs. 1A-3)  
Request for Drawing Changes  
Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney  
Executed Assignment (in separate envelope with \$40.00 recording fee)

Fee: \$1,026.00

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Signature of person mailing document and fees